Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, May 5, 2014, 4:30 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips Alderman John Clark Alderman Colette George Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire

Alderman Tom C. Parham Alderman Tom Segelhorst

**City Administration** 

John G. Campbell, City Manager J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney James H. Demming, City Recorder

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
- 2. ROLL CALL: By Deputy City Recorder Marshall. Absent: Alderman Jantry Shupe.

**NOTE:** To accommodate citizens in the audience who were present for later agenda items, Work Session Item 5 was presented first, followed by Regular Business Meeting Agenda Items VI.D.8, VI.AA.3 and VI.D.7. The regular agenda resumed thereafter.

- 3. UPDATE ON NEW GUIDELINES FOR WORKER'S COMPENSATION. City Attorney Billingsley gave a presentation on this item and answered questions from the board.
- **4. REVIEW OF CURRENT SAFETY TRAINING.** Risk Manager Terri Evans presented this item, noting the significant reduction in claims over the last few years.
- **5. PEAK PRESENTATION.** Mr. Seth Jervis, Mr. Corey Shepherd and Ms. Kendal Flegel provided information on this newly established group whose mission is to attract, develop and retain young professionals in Kingsport. They discussed the core components of the group and also gave details on several volunteer and social events they have participated in, as well as future committments.
- **6. WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt gave an update on the ball fields project, noting the work has started. Alderman Segelhorst asked for information on the water lines failing at the fire training building. City Manager Campbell gave details.
- 7. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE MAY 6, 2014 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:

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- VI.AA.3 Public Hearing and Consideration of the 2014 Annual Action Plan for Community Development and Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Documents Necessary to Apply for and Receive Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds (AF: 103-2014). Mark Haga gave a presentation on the programs to be funded with the block grant. Mayor Phillips expressed concern over cutting funds to current programs for a new and unfamiliar program. Discussion ensued.
- VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute and Sign All Documents Necessary to Enter into an Agreement with CARFAX which Allows for National Data Sharing with the Kingsport Police Department to Further Enhance Investigative Avenues (AF: 96-2014). City Manager Campbell noted this was at no cost to the city.
- VI.D.7 Consideration of a Resolution to Appoint Tilden J. Fleming as City Manager and to Authorize the Mayor to Execute an Appointment Memorandum (AF: 91-2014). Mayor Phillips asked Attorney Joe May to negotiate a contract with Jeff Fleming for the city manager position. City Attorney Billingsley clarified it was not a contract, but rather an appointment memo, pointing out the city manager is an employee at will.
- VI.D.8 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize Issuance of a Purchase Order to General Shale of Kingsport in the Amount of \$63,204.25 for the Purchase of Loxon Proprietary Materials to be Used in the Renovations for Fire Station No. 6 (AF: 102-2014). City Manager Campbell stated the outside material at Fire Station 6 was deteriorating. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds provided further details. Fire Chief Dye noted the building was constructed in 1990. Some discussion followed.
- VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Revisions to the Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (AF: 43-2014). Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds provided details on this item, noting there was a thirty percent threshold that must be met before proceeding with installing traffic calming devices. He further clarified that if thirty percent were in opposition, the city would not move forward with the request.
- VI.D.11 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Rejection of All Bids Submitted for the "Tennessee Roadscapes" Project for Landscaping Six Area Interchanges/Intersections (AF: 90-2014). City Manager Campbell gave details on this item. Procurement Manager Sandy Crawford provided further information on why the bid was rejected.
- VI.D.12 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of Three (3) Special Service AWD SUV's to Auto World of Big Stone Gap, Inc. (AF: 108-2014). City Manager Campbell stated there were not many bids placed. Mayor Phillips commented the winning bidder was very aggressive, noting they have been successful many times.

**BOARD COMMENT.** None.

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PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

7. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session,

Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

DENNIS R. PHILLIPS

Mayor